Government employees are in force;

(b) after what period, rates of overtime allowance/extra work allowance allowance/extra work allowance are normally revised; (c) whether it is a fact that the present rates of overtime/extra work allowance have become obsolete on account of the revised pay scales; and

(c) whether it is a fact that the present rates of overtime/extra work allowance have become obsolete on account of the revised pay scales; and

(d) if so, what steps are being taken to expedite action on revision of rates of overtime/extra work allowance?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) At present, for extra work beyond office hours, where compensatory off cannot be given, Over Time Allowance is being allowed on the basis of notional pay admissible to the concerned employees in the pre-revised scale of pay/pay slabs subject to the same terms and conditions as laid down in the existing orders which were issued after the revision of pay scales on the recommendation of the Third Pay Commission.

(c) and (d) The Government have taken a decision to discontinue the present system of overtime allowance and replace it by a system of grant of extra work allowance. The modalities of implementation of this decision are being worked out which will have reference to the new scales of pay.

Introduction of 'Emergency Medicines' course at Post Graduate level of doctors' training

693. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received suggestions for introduction of a separate course in emergency medicines at the post graduate level of doctors' training on the lines of courses available in the U.S., U.K. and other developed countries; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) and (b) The Government are not aware of the suggestions for introduction of a separate course in emergency medicines at Post Graduate level. However, it may be stated that the Medical Council of India in its recommendations on Post graduate Medical Education, has prescribed Post graduate Degree course in accidental and emergency medicines. Any University or Medical Institution having the required facilities may start such a course.

गरीबी की रेखा से नीचे रहने वाले लोगों की संख्या का आकलन करने के के संबंध में सर्वेक्षण

694. **सरदार जगजीत सिंह अरोड़ा :**
श्री राम जेठमलानी :

क्या **योजना** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना तैयार करने से पूर्व देश में गरीबी की रेखा से नीचे रहने वाले लोगों की संख्या का आकलन करने के संबंध में कोई सर्वेक्षण कराया है;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि हाल ही के वर्षों में मुद्रास्फीति की दर में अनपेक्षित भारी वृद्धि के परिणामस्वरूप गरीबी की रेखा से नीचे जीवनयापन करने वाले लोगों की संख्या में वृद्धि होना स्वाभाविक है;

(ग) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में सरकार की भावी योजना क्या है; और

(घ) ऐसे लोगों की वास्तविक संख्या की जानकारी के बिना इस समस्या के सुलझाए जाने की कितनी सम्भावनाएं हैं ?

योजना मंत्री तथा कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री (श्री माधव सिंह सोलंकी) : (क) से (घ) गरीबी की रेखा से नीचे रह रहे व्यक्तियों के अनुमान घरेलू उपभोक्ता व्यय के संबंध में राष्ट्रीय प्रतिदर्श सर्वेक्षण आंकड़ा के आधार पर तैयार किए जाते हैं। वर्ष 1985-86 तथा